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RE: REMOVAL OF DAMS

Dear National Marine Fisheries Service and U. S. Army Corps of Engineers:

As the National Marine Fisheries Service's draft science paper correctly finds, only dam removal can restore Snake Basin salmon to healthy numbers and fulfill our treaty obligations. The Corps exaggerates the costs of dam removal by ignoring the expense of dam retention and salmon extinction. Since these fish are already dangerously close to extinction, recovery efforts must begin immediately.

I ask that you recommend removal of the four lower Snake River dams to save our endangered salmon. Please include my comments in the administrative record.

Sincerely,


Kevin M. Connor

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